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So, two-thirds of the Members present not having voted in favor thereof, said joint resolution was not passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said joint resolution was not passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

¶32.15 SUBMISSION OF CONFERENCE REPORT-S. 1150

Mr. SMITH of Oregon submitted a conference report (Rept. No. 105-492) on the bill (S. 1150) to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address highwith priority concerns national multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs, and for other purposes; together with a statement thereon, for printing in the Record under the rule.

¶32.16 APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL CONFEREES-H.R. 2400

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, by unanimous consent and pursuant to clause 6(f) of rule X, announced the appointment of the following Members as additional conferees on the part of the House to the conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2400) to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes:

As additional conferees from the Committee on Commerce, for consideration of provisions in the House bill and Senate amendment relating to the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program; and sections 124, 125, 303, and 502 of the House bill; and sections 1407, 1601, 1602, 2103, 3106, 3301-3302, 4101-4104, and 5004 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference:

Messrs. BLILEY, BILIRAKIS, and DIN-GELL.

Provided that Mr. TAUZIN is appointed in lieu of Mr. BILIRAKIS for

consideration of sections 1407, 2103, and 3106 of the Senate amendment.

Ordered. That the Clerk notify the Senate of the foregoing appointments.

¶32.17 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted-

To Mr. ĎIXON, for April 21 and balance of the week:

To Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, for today and balance of the week;

To Mr. TANNER, for today and balance of the week; and

To Mr. UNDERWOOD, for today. And then,

¶32.18 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. NADLER, at 8 o'clock and 42 minutes p.m., the House adjourned.

¶32.19 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 1309. A bill to provide for an exchange of lands with the city of Greeley, Colorado, and The Water Supply and Storage Company to eliminate private inholdings in wilderness areas, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-489). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. STUMP: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 3603. A bill to authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105–490). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. GOSS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 408. Resolution providing for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 1252) to modify the procedures of the Federal courts in certain matters, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-491). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SMITH of Oregon: Committee of Conference. Conference report on S. 1150. An Act to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address concerns with national high-priority multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-492). Ordered to be printed.

$\P 32.20$ Public bills and resolutions

Under clause 5 of Rule X and clause 4 of Rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. EVANS:

H.R. 3702. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide the Secretary of Veterans Affairs with the authority to reimburse veterans enrolled in the veterans health care system for the cost of emergency care or services received in non-Department of Veterans Affairs facilities; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. DELAHUNT:

H.R. 3703. A bill to establish the Adams National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as the successor to the Adams National Historic Site; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. FORBES:

H.R. 3704. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to conduct a study and issue a report on predatory and discriminatory practices of airlines which restrict consumer access to unbiased air transportation passenger service and fare information; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

> By Mr. GIBBONS (for himself and Mr. Ensign):

H.R. 3705. A bill to provide for the sale of certain public lands in the Ivanpah Valley, Nevada, to the Clark County Department of Aviation; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. HERGER: H.R. 3706. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to implement the provisions of the Agreement conveying title to a Distribution System from the United States to the Clear Creek Community Services District: to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. SAM JOHNSON (for himself and

Mr. HAYWORTH): H.R. 3707. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to allow reductions in the discretionary spending limits to be used to offset tax cuts; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. OBEY: H.R. 3708. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study whether the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore should be protected as a wilderness area; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. RILEY (for himself, Mr. BACH-US, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. EVER-

ETT, and Mr. JENKINS): H.R. 3709. A bill to amend the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 to provide for the abatement of interest on underpayments by taxpayers in Presidentially declared disaster areas in 1998; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SCARBOROUGH (for himself, Ms. CARSON, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, and Mr. FROST):

H.R. 3710. A bill to exonerate the late Rear Admiral Charles Butler McVay, III, captain of the U.S.S. INDIANAPOLIS when it was sunk on July 30, 1945, from responsibility for that sinking, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan H.R. 3711. A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code to make debts to governmental units for the care and maintenance of

minor children nondischargeable; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SOLOMON: H.R. 3712. A bill to prohibit the expenditure of Federal funds to provide or support programs to provide individuals with hypodermic needles or syringes for the use of ille-

gal drugs; to the Committee on Commerce. By Mr. STARK (for himself, Mr. WAX-MAN, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. MILLER of California, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Ms. ESHOO, and Mr. LANTOS):

H.R. 3713. A bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to prevent conflicts of interest in the use of administrative vendors in the administration of State Children's Health Insurance Plans; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

> By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. BARR of Georgia, and Mr. DELAY):

H.R. 3714. A bill to establish a prohibition regarding illegal drugs and the distribution of hypodermic needles; to the Committee on Commerce.

¶32.21 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 7: Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. LINDER, and Mr. GILCHREST

H.R. 371: Mr. KILDEE and Mr. BARCIA of Michigan.